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Related Diseases via a Matrix
Metalloprotienase-1 Single Nucleotide
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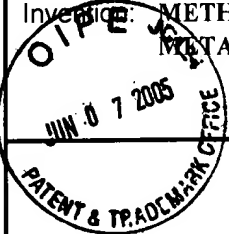
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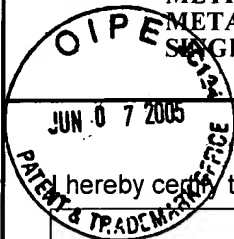
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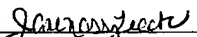
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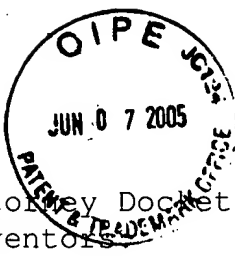
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This is a reply to the Office Action mailed March 17, 2005 setting a three (3) month period for response. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks being on page 6 of this paper.